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UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

In re:)	Chapter 11
CELSIUS NETWORK LLC, et al.,1)	Case No. 22-10964 (MG)
Debtors.))	(Jointly Administered)

THE OFFICIAL COMMITTEE OF UNSECURED CREDITORS' EX PARTE MOTION TO REDACT AND FILE UNDER SEAL CERTAIN CONFIDENTIAL DISCOVERY MATERIAL SUBMITTED IN CONNECTION WITH THE COMMITTEE'S CEL TOKEN VALUATION OBJECTION

The Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors (the "Committee") appointed in the chapter 11 cases (the "Chapter 11 Cases") of the above-captioned debtors and debtors-in-

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possession (collectively, the "**Debtors**") submits this *ex parte* motion (the "**Motion**") to redact and file under seal certain confidential discovery material submitted in connection with the Committee's CEL Token Valuation Objection (as defined below) and respectfully states as follows:

Relief Requested

1. By this Motion, the Committee seeks entry of an order, substantially in the form attached hereto as **Exhibit A** (the "**Order**"), authorizing the Committee to redact and file under seal certain confidential Discovery Material² that the Committee relies upon in support of the *Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors' Omnibus Objection to Motions for Entry of an Order to Dollarize Non-Insider CEL Token Claims at the Petition Date Price of \$0.81565 (the "CEL Token Valuation Objection"), filed contemporaneously herewith.*

Jurisdiction and Venue

- 2. The United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of New York (the "Court") has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 157 and 1334 and the *Amended Standing Order of Reference from the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York*, entered February 1, 2012. The Committee confirms its consent to the Court entering a final order in connection with this motion to the extent that it is later determined that the Court, absent consent of the parties, cannot enter final orders or judgment in connection herewith consistent with Article III of the United States Constitution.
 - 3. Venue is proper pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1408 and 1409.
 - 4. The bases for the relief requested herein are sections 105(a), 107(b) and 107(c) of

² Capitalized terms used but not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the *Confidentiality Agreement and Stipulated Protective Order*, [Docket No. 790] (the "**Protective Order**") (Sept. 13, 2022).

title 11 of the United States Code (the "Bankruptcy Code"), rule 9018 of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure (the "Bankruptcy Rules"), and rules 9013-1, 9018-1, and 9037-1 of the Local Bankruptcy Rules for the Southern District of New York (the "Local Rules").

Background

- 5. On July 13, 2022 (the "**Petition Date**"), the Debtors filed voluntary petitions for relief in this Court under Chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code. The Debtors continue to operate their businesses and manage their properties as debtors-in-possession under sections 1107(a) and 1108 of the Bankruptcy Code. On July 27, 2022, the U.S. Trustee appointed the Committee, which is composed of seven members, each of whom holds crypto (or digital) assets through the Celsius platform [Docket No. 241].
- 6. On September 13, 2022, the Court entered a protective order, establishing certain procedures to designate information, documents, and things exchanged in, or subject to, discovery in these Chapter 11 Cases as Confidential Material or Highly Confidential Material [Docket No. 790] (the "**Protective Order**").
- 7. On March 2, 2023, Santos Caceres filed the Santos Caceres' Motion for Entry of an Order (I) to Dollarize Non-Insider CEL Token Claims at The Petition Date Price of \$0.81565; If Otherwise, (II) Request the Debtors to Submit Evidence Supporting Inequitable Treatment of Unsecured Creditors in the Earn Group (III) Granting Related Relief [Docket No. 2169] and later amended on March 10, 2023, filed at Docket No. 2207 and amended a second time later that day, filed at Docket No. 2208 (together, the "Caceres Motion").
- 8. On March 13, 2023, Sean StJohn's Motion for Entry of an Order (I) to Dollarize Non-Insider CEL Token Claims at the Petition Date Price of \$0.81565; If Otherwise, (II) Request the Debtors to Submit Evidence Supporting Inequitable Treatment of Unsecured Creditors in the

Earn Group (III) Granting Related Relief [Docket No. 2216] (the "StJohn Motion," and together with Caceres Motion, the "Motions").

- 9. On March 28, 2023, Mr. Caceres and Mr. StJohn filed Notices of Hearing on the Motions [Docket Nos. 2327; 2329] setting the Motions to be heard on May 17, 2023.
- 10. On May 3, 2023, Mr. Caceres and Mr. StJohn filed Notices of Adjournment with respect to the Motions [Docket No. 2583; 2584] adjourning the hearing on these Motions until June 28, 2023.
- 11. On May 8, 2023, the Committee filed its *Request to Extend Deadline to Object to Pro Se Creditors' Motion to Value CEL Token* [Docket No. 2593] requesting an extension to the objection deadline through June 21, 2023. On May 9, 2023, this Court entered an order extending the objection deadline to June 21, 2023 at 4:00 p.m. (ET) [Docket No. 2594].
- 12. The Committee has filed its CEL Token Valuation Objection and an accompanying declaration of Aaron Colodny attaching documents referenced in the CEL Token Valuation Objection (the "Colodny Declaration"), contemporaneously herewith. Certain language in the exhibits attached to the Colodny Declaration contain certain sensitive personal information that the Debtors or another party have designated Confidential or Highly Confidential Discovery Material.
- 13. In accordance with the Protective Order, and to protect such Confidential or Highly Confidential Discovery Material from being unnecessarily and potentially detrimentally publicly disclosed, the Committee seeks to redact and file under seal limited portions of the exhibits to the Colodny Declaration, and the exhibits attached thereto, in each case containing such confidential information. The Committee has worked cooperatively with the Debtors to only redact the information deemed to be sensitive and confidential.

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Basis for Relief

- 14. Section 107(b) of the Bankruptcy Code provides bankruptcy courts with authority to issue orders that will protect entities from potential harm resulting from the disclosure of certain confidential information. Section 107(b) provides, in relevant part, that "[o]n request of a party in interest, the bankruptcy court shall, and on the bankruptcy court's own motion, the bankruptcy court may: (1) protect an entity with respect to a trade secret or confidential research, development, or commercial information[.]" 11 U.S.C. § 107(b). Section 107(c) provides that the bankruptcy court, for cause, ay protect an individual with respect to and means of identification if that identification would create an undue risk of unlawful injury. 11 U.S.C. § 107(c).
- 15. Bankruptcy Rule 9018 defines the procedures by which a party may move for relief pursuant to section 107(b) and (c). Specifically, Bankruptcy Rule 9018 provides, in relevant part, that, upon a motion, "the court may make any order which justice requires . . . to protect the estate or any entity in respect of a trade secret or other confidential research, development, or commercial information." Fed. R. Bankr. P. 9018.
- 16. The Committee submits that the Discovery Material it relied upon in the CEL Token Valuation Objection constitutes confidential information under the Protective Order that is protected under section 107(b) and 107(c) of the Bankruptcy Code and Bankruptcy Rule 9018. The Protective Order sets forth the identity of the Parties to have access to the documents to be sealed, the duration of the seal, and the obligations of the Parties following the conclusion of the disputes. As this Court is aware, there is significant public attention on these Chapter 11 Cases and any disclosure of the Discovery Material may impair or delay the Debtors' restructuring progress or cause unlawful injury to the individuals identified in the applicable exhibits.

Motion Practice

17. This Motion includes citations to the applicable rules and statutory authorities upon which the relief herein is predicated and a discussion of their application to this Motion. Accordingly, the Committee submits that this Motion satisfies Local Rule 9013-1(a).

Notice

18. The Committee will provide notice of this Motion to the following parties or their respective counsel: (a) the U.S. Trustee; (b) the Debtors; (c) the holders of the 50 largest unsecured claims against the Debtors (on a consolidated basis); (d) the United States Attorney's Office for the Southern District of New York; (e) the Internal Revenue Service; (f) the offices of the attorneys general in the states in which the Debtors operate; (g) the Securities and Exchange Commission; (h) the Movants; and (i) any party that has requested notice pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 2002. The Committee submits that, in light of the nature of the relief requested, no other or further notice need be given.

Reservation of Rights

19. The Committee reserves all of its rights to supplement or amend this Motion and to raise additional issues with the Motion at the hearing, and to present evidence at the hearing.

Conclusion

WHEREFORE, for the reasons set forth herein, the Committee respectfully requests that the Court enter an order granting the relief requested herein and other relief as the Court deems appropriate under the circumstances.

Dated: June 21, 2023

New York, New York

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Aaron E. Colodny

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Exhibit A

Proposed Order

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order consistent with Article III of the United States Constitution; and this Court having found that venue of this proceeding and the Motion in this district is proper pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1408 and 1409; and this Court having found that the relief requested in the Motion is in the best interests of the Debtors' estates, their creditors, and other parties in interest; and this Court having found that the notice of the Motion and opportunity for a hearing on the Motion were appropriate under the circumstances and no other notice need be provided; and this Court having reviewed the Motion; and this Court having determined that the legal and factual bases set forth in the Motion establish just cause for the relief granted herein; and upon all of the proceedings had before this Court; and after due deliberation and sufficient cause appearing therefor, it is **HEREBY ORDERED THAT**:

- 1. The Motion is granted as set forth herein.
- 2. The Committee is authorized, pursuant to sections 105(a), 107(b), and 107(c) of the Bankruptcy Code, Bankruptcy Rule 9018, and Local Rule 9018-1, to file the Discovery Material under seal.
- 3. The unredacted versions of the Discovery Material shall remain confidential and not be made available to any party (other than those specified in paragraph 5 of this Order) without the Committee's consent, may not be filed on the public docket, and shall remain under seal until further order of the Court.
- 4. The Committee shall submit unredacted copies of the Discovery Material to the Clerk of this Court in an envelope under seal, clearly indicating that the same has been filed under seal by order of the Court.
- 5. The Committee is authorized to cause the unredacted versions of the CEL Token Valuation Objection to be served on and made available, on a confidential basis, to (i) the U.S.

Trustee, (ii) the Debtors, (iii) counsel to the entities identified in (i) and (ii), or (iv) any party in interest pursuant to the Protective Order entered on September 13, 2022 [Docket No. 790].

- 6. Any party authorized to receive the unredacted versions of the Discovery Material pursuant to this Order or the Protective Order shall be authorized and directed to redact specific references to the information set forth therein from pleadings filed by such party on the public docket maintained in these chapter 11 cases. If the Discovery Material is attached or referred to in any future pleadings or documents filed with this Court relating to these Chapter 11 Cases, this Order shall apply to such pleading or document.
- 7. Any party who receives the Discovery Material in accordance with this Order or the Protective Order shall not disclose or otherwise disseminate this information to any other person or entity, including in response to a request under the Freedom of Information Act.
- 8. The Clerk of this Court shall treat the information contained in the Discovery Material as confidential, and counsel for the Committee shall contact the Clerk's Office regarding the return or disposition of the Discovery Material as soon as practicable following the effective date of any chapter 11 plan in these Chapter 11 Cases or any successor cases.
- 9. Nothing in this Order shall restrict in any way the right of any party in interest or the U.S. Trustee to seek relief from this Court to unseal any part of the Discovery Material.
- 10. The requirements set forth in Local Rules 9013-1 and 9018-1 are satisfied by the contents of this Motion.
- 11. Notice of the Motion as provided therein shall be deemed good and sufficient notice of such Motion and the requirements of Bankruptcy Rule 6004(a) and the Local Rules are satisfied by such notice.

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- 12. Notwithstanding Bankruptcy Rule 6004(h), the terms and conditions of this Order are immediately effective and enforceable upon its entry.
- 13. The Committee is authorized to take all actions necessary to effectuate the relief granted in this Order in accordance with the Motion.
- 14. This Court retains exclusive jurisdiction with respect to all matters arising from or related to the implementation, interpretation, and enforcement of this Order.

Dated:, 2023	
	THE HONORABLE MARTIN GLENN
	UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY JUDGE